

## **BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL**

A meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

### **57 PRESENT**

Councillor R Dallimore (chairman)  
Councillor S Bull (vice chairman)  
Councillor J Hedges  
Councillor J Porter  
Councillor N Ponsillo

### **58 APOLOGIES**

District Councillor S Kingham  
County Councillor H Munt

### **59 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared

### **60 DISPENSATIONS**

None were sought

### **61 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 were agreed and signed.

### **62 MATTERS ARISING**

**Highways** Cllrs noted that the dip in Edington Road outside of Hillview and edge potholes in Edington Road and Station Road have been marked by Highways dept. It is hoped that the repairs will soon be carried out as they are becoming hazardous to road users.

**Deep Lake by Godwin's** Reflector posts are still awaited.

**Plaque for Bow Bridge** nothing to report

**Damaged Finger Post** repairs completed and it has been re erected a little back from the edge of the road to hopefully, stop it being hit again.

**Footpaths** Signs reminding people to clear up behind their dogs have been erected in Green Drove.

**Bus Shelter** Now that repairs have been completed call to be put out for volunteers to help treat the woodwork before the winter. Cllr Sandra Bull will coordinate the project.

**Parish Council Noticeboard** Cllr J Porter has repaired it. He will source quotes to have it replaced at the front of the hall under the canopy.

**Grit bins** Clerk reported amount of salt in the bins to Highways dept. and they have put them on their list to be topped up before the winter.

**Bike Security Marking** Local PCSOs had a very successful morning at September Cafe Burtle security marking thirty-six bikes belonging to local people and entering them on the National Register.

### **63 FINANCE**

**Hire of Hall** Invoice has been received from Burtle Village Hall for use of the Hall from 1.1.22 – 30.9.22 together with notification that the hire rate will increase from 1.10.22.

**SALC subs** Email has been received to say that they now have a temporary bookkeeper in place who is making good progress with sorting their financial system and should be able to accept cheque payments shortly.

The following cheques were signed:

Burtle Village Hall <i>hire of Hall 1.1.22 – 30.9.22</i>		£ 172.80
Mrs M Perdue <i>Clerks salary 1.4.22 – 30.9.22</i>	£158.45 )	
<i>Clerk's expenses 1.4.22 – 30.9.22</i>	£440.00 )	£ 598.45

**Proposed** Cllr R Dallimore

**Seconded** Cllr S Bull

**Change of bank** After much correspondence NatWest have advised that they are unable to provide 'free banking'. They have acknowledged that many Parish Councils have 'Clubs and Societies' accounts but these are not considered appropriate for Parish Councils and may be reviewed. NatWest can offer a Standard Business Account with no monthly charge and 35p per transaction but there can only be one person on the mandate to operate it. This does not comply with current financial instructions.

Clerk to make further enquiries about the matter and ask for advice from SALC.

## **64 PLANNING**

### **Applications –**

**55/22/00007** Erection of single storey rear (East) extension, installation of 2no. rear (East) rooflights to garage and front (West) solar panels at lower Whites Farm, Green Drove, Burtle  
After discussion Cllrs unanimously agreed to support the application with no comments.

**Decisions –** none notified

## **65 ENFORCEMENT ISSUES**

Nothing to report but Cllrs continue to engage with Sedgemoor Enforcement Dept, Natural England and Environment Agency regarding the numerous planning breaches within the parish.

## **66 TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE AND ROAD MARKINGS**

**SID** Still waiting to hear from Highways dept regarding the installation of the new posts that are required to support the SID.

**Road Safety** Several reports received about lorries speeding through the village many have been identified as belonging to Towans. Clerk to write to Towans to make them aware of reports and ask that their drivers drive considerately on our narrow roads and respect the speed limit through the village.

## **67 CORRESPONDENCE**

**Local Community Networks** Survey regarding options of how sub groups should be formed and their role was discussed. Cllrs agreed that they would prefer that Burtle is in a rural group with other small villages as they will have more in common than with the urban areas. Clerk to submit survey with Burtle preferences.

## **68 ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**Wasp nests on Sandpit** Clerk has arranged for Apollo Services to visit.

**Poppies** Cllrs are pleased to learn that the large poppies will be placed on the Sandpit again this year. They wish to thank the volunteers who organise this display and all the volunteers who carry out the door-to-door collection in support of the British Legion Poppy Appeal in Burtle.

**69 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Signed .....Date.....